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## TRIBAL COUNCIL

# Tribe welcomes new council members

By Sacha Smith  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe hosted the annual Inauguration Ceremony for incoming Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council members on Tuesday, Dec. 1 in Council Chambers.

Council Candidates Lorelei Cloud and Alex S. Cloud earned the majority vote in the Nov. 6 election securing them the council seats. Upon being elected new council members are installed into office on the first Tuesday of December following their election – circumstances vary for special elections.

“It’s good to have young people come to serve on [Tribal] Council ... learn from the elders, listen, don’t get mad,” Frost said to the incoming council members, “It’s not an easy job, its hard to face all the obstacles coming towards the tribe.” Lorelei Cloud most recently comes from working at the Southern Ute Growth Fund’s Red Willow Production Company where she served as Land Assistant



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Lorelei Cloud is sworn into tribal council by Chief Judge, Chantel Cloud.

Supervisor and served on the Southern Ute Growth Fund’s Art Committee, the Tribal Member Employment Advisory Committee (TMEAC), and the Traveling Team.

“Thanks to those who believed in me, I’m honored ... it’s a great honor and privilege to be here I can’t wait to get started,” she said. “I

really want our people to think about how our future really can be. Our future is limitless, our only limit is ourselves.”

Ms. Cloud said that culture; language and youth are high on her priority list.

“We need to make sure [the youth] are empowered and know their culture ... our youth is our future.”



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Chief Judge, Chantel Cloud, swears Alex S. Cloud into Tribal Council.

Chairman Frost, welcomed Ms. Cloud to Tribal Council.

“You have good qualities about you, I hope that you work strongly with Tribal Council,” he said.

Treasurer James M. Olguin offered words of advice to Council Lady Cloud.

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Ramona Y. Eagle is the Southern Ute Permanent Fund's Executive Officer as of Dec. 1. She joins current Executive Officer, Michelle Taylor Cruz.

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE

# Eagle appointed Executive Officer

By Damon Toledo  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Former Vice Chairwoman of Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council, Ramona Y. Eagle was officially appointed the position of Executive Officer for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s Permanent Fund on Tuesday, Dec. 1. She joins Michelle Taylor Cruz in the Executive Office where she will continue to assist the tribe.

The tribe bid farewell to Eagle from Tribal Council, but in a surprise announcement by Southern Ute Chairman Clement J. Frost, welcomed her back the same day.

“I want to thank [Chairman Frost] for considering me for the

position,” she stated. “He was looking into several people for the position, and he saw the consistency with my performance as Vice Chairwoman.”

Throughout her work history, Eagle has held a position in Human Resources as well as Tribal Treasurer. She served a total of ten years in Tribal Council, focusing on the fundamentals of tribal sovereignty and education. She has also held positions in TERO, management committee, parent education committee, and SUCAP, just to name a few of the many.

Eagle stated she hopes tribal members and em-

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## TRIBAL ART

# Tribal artists featured at Eno

By Damon Toledo  
THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

An art display titled, “Generally Speaking...” an interpretation of Indigenous ideas, has recently been set up at the Eno Wine Bar & Coffee Cafe in downtown Durango, featuring the work of Southern Ute artists – Mike Santistevan, Carol Baker, Daniel Rohde, and Robert Baker. The exhibit displays enticing works of photography and beadwork, and will run until the beginning of January.

For some artists, this is the first time they’ve showcased their work outside of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

“This is my first time being apart of an art show, and it’s a real honor,” said Mike Santistevan, who displayed a beaded cell phone case and bracelet.

Daniel Rohde stated that it was his mother, Linda Baker, who encouraged him



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Robert Baker looks over his photography work at the Eno Wine Bar and Coffee Cafe. The exhibit features displays from Southern Ute artists and will run until January.

to showcase his mixed media projects.

“This is also my first legit art show, and it feels good to see my work displayed and that everyone got on board.”

Carol Baker, who fancies

in print making/mixed media, said that the exhibit is a wonderful opportunity for Southern Ute artists.

“This is a great opportunity for artists to show their work to a different

audience. I did one show at the National Museum of American Indians and that inspired me to keep working. I like drawing people and figures of realism.”

More photos on page 3.

# A taste of Christmas



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Southern Ute Royalty smile with Santa at the Taste of an Old Fashioned Christmas, Friday, Dec. 4 at the ELHI Community Center. The event had numerous vendors selling arts and crafts as well as baked goods. There was also Christmas ornament making and a gingerbread house contest. Southern Ute Royalty (l-r): Jr. Miss Southern Ute Odyssey Baker-Silva, Southern Ute Brave Dewayne Hendren and Little Miss Southern Ute Krystyn Weaver.

More Christmas photos on page 7.

## Southern Ute Indian Tribe Permanent Fund New Hours

**Monday – Thursday**  
**Departments open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.**  
Natural Resources  
Wildlife Resource Management  
Dental Clinic (7 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Fridays)  
Tribal Information Services  
Tribal Housing  
Social Services  
Vocational Rehabilitation  
Tribal Council Affairs  
Tribal Services

**Departments open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.**  
Tribal Court  
Lands Division  
Finance  
Tribal Health Dept. (various sections)  
Human Resources  
Management Information Services  
Building Maintenance  
Division of Gaming Administration  
Environmental Programs  
Public Health Nursing

**Departments open from 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.**  
Legal Services

**Remaining Departments/Divisions will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

**All Permanent Fund Departments are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays.**





TRIBAL CREDIT

Home Loan Program update

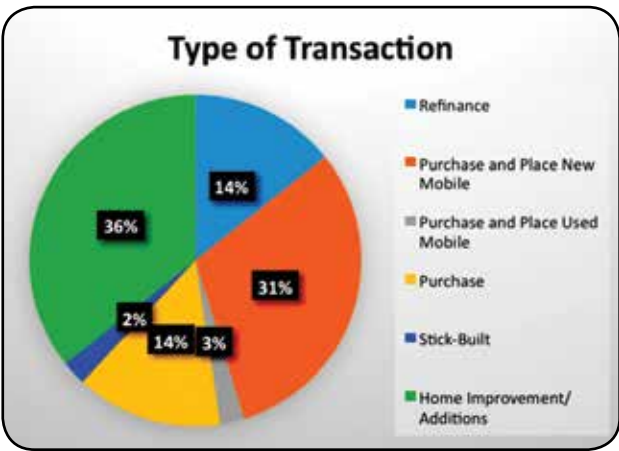
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TRIBAL CREDIT DEPT.

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe’s Home Loan Program has been available to tribal members for little over a year now. The program was established to help tribal members purchase new and used mobile homes, refinance homes, make home improvements and additions, and build stick-built houses. Loans are available for home loans on Tribal trust and Tribal fee land within the Reservation.

To date 81 percent of applications submitted have been approved and the tribe has closed 10 loans over the past year.

According to Mathew Morishige, Tribal Credit division head, 76 percent of the workable applications required the applicant to complete financial literacy courses.

The Southern Ute Finance Department began hosting in-class Financial Literacy Classes to help tribal members qualify for the loans. Tribal members used to have to attend a



4-week in-class curriculum to complete the financial literacy requirement. Twenty-four applicants graduated from the in class facility, Morishige said.

But now, the financial literacy classes are all being offered solely online. Tribal members can now complete the classes at their own convenience without having to attend a class.

“We’ve gone electric to expedite the process,” Morishige said.

The new program takes an average of three weeks to complete, and requires applicants to receive an 80 percent on all tests includ-

ing on the final test in order to pass – the average test score on the final test, so far, is 92 percent.

Currently, there are 18 tribal members enrolled in the new online program, with five having already completed it.

The Tribal Credit Division has also identified The Southern Ute Drum as a centralized location for sellers and buyers to locate information on housing opportunities.

To sign up for Financial Literacy Classes online or if you have questions about applying for a loan, you can contact Tribal Credit at 970-563-4744

TRANSPORTATION

Planning and Construction to hold meetings about CR 517

Staff report  
DEPT. OF PLANNING

On December 16th, the Departments of Planning and Construction & Project Management will be holding two public meetings with our Contractor, Rus-

sell Planning & Engineering, to discuss new changes on County Road 517.

The proposed work will take place from Highway 172 and continue on CR 517 up to Howe Drive.

There will be two available meetings to attend at the

Multi-Purpose Facility, one that begins at 3 p.m. and another that begins at 5:30 p.m.


Anyone who is interested or may be affected by the project is encouraged to attend. If there are any questions, please call Planning at 970-563-4749.



## Highway 172 / CR 517 Road Improvements Public Kickoff Meeting

Date - December 16<sup>th</sup>  
Time - 3:00 – 5:00pm & 5:30 to 7:00pm  
Location - The Multi-Purpose Facility  
Purpose - To discuss upcoming changes proposed on CR 517 that will impact residents and employees from Hwy 172 to Howe Drive

**Refreshments Will Be Served!**



## Leonard C. Burch

### 4th Annual Memorial Walk/Run 1k/5k

Thursday December, 10th 2015

Meeting Place: SunUte  
Free Registration: 9:00 a.m.  
Start Time: 10:00 a.m.



Door Prizes and Tribal Employee Incentives Awarded After Walk/Run

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Refreshments provided by Shining Mountain



For more info contact Lynnette Sage at 970-759-5682 or Lisa Frost at 970-799-2056



Many Moons Ago



Beth Santistevan/SU Drum archive

10 years ago

Outgoing Executive Officer Everett Burch checks out his new Pendleton blanket in Council Chambers on Monday, December 5. Acting Chairwoman Joycelyn Dutchie presents him with the blanket on behalf of the Tribal Council.

This photo first appeared in the Dec. 8, 2005, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



John Rehorn/SU Drum archive

20 years ago

Honored for their service. The tribal organization gave Ray C. Frost and Lillian Seibel Pendleton robes and plaques in gratitude for their leadership service. Seibel was unable to attend the small fiesta but Frost quipped, “Do I have to give it back if I get in, again?” Chairman Burch nudged Frost’s name plaque identifying him as a Councilor and said, “You might hold on to this for awhile.”

This photo first appeared in the Dec. 8, 1995, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



SU Drum archive

30 years ago

Southern Ute Tribal Chairman Chris Baker cuts the ribbon to the new tribal shop building. The maintenance department will soon be moving into within two weeks.

This photo first appeared in the Dec. 13, 1985, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

## Tribal Christmas Dinner & Program

Saturday December 19, 2015  
Sky Ute Casino Events Center

Dinner Starts at 11AM-3PM  
Christmas Program starts at 4PM

The Southern Ute Tribal Christmas Dinner is open to Southern Ute Tribal Members & Families along with Ute Mountain & Northern Ute Members.

Southern Ute Tribal Elders wishing to have their food delivered please contact the Darlene Frost, Culture Department @ 970-563-0100 ext. 3620 or Gloria Frost, Elders Services @ ext. 2323







## Girls Scouts learn to fringe



photos courtesy Bernadette Pinnecoose

Parents of Samantha Rock, Marietta Watts-Soto and Abel Soto, who is one of our Girl Scouts volunteered their time in November to show our a local Girl Scout Troop how to add the fringes to shawls which were sewn by them and the material donated by Samantha's grandmother, Gloria Watts. Marietta spoke to the girls about the importance of the shawl while Gloria (above) then showed the girls how to wear them.

(Bottom row, l-r) Dayna Talamante-Montoya, Marissa Olguin, Atalia Ramirez, Samantha Rock, Micaela Ramirez, Selia Montoya and Bernadette Pinnecoose. (Top row, l-r) Marietta Watts-Soto, Malina Casias, Zoe Velasquez, Gloria Watts, Jania Jackson and Abel Soto.



## Art adds style to bar and cafe



photos Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Beaded cowboy hats crafted by Melissa Lewis Barnes hang stylishly inside the Eno Wine Bar and Coffee Cafe in downtown Durango.



Tim Antonio's mask artwork hangs proudly inside the Eno Wine Bar and Coffee Cafe.



"Two Lives" is a storybook sketch done by Southern Ute tribal artist, Carol Baker.

## Spreading Christmas cheer



Sacha Smith/SU Drum

The Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council collaborated with Executive Officer Ramona Eagle and Carina Tobias on Monday, Dec. 7 to help decorate stockings that will be filled with donated items from the Social Services Departments of the Southern Ute and Ute Mountain Ute Tribes. The stockings will be handed out to children in foster homes and elders living in senior homes on both reservations.

## CANDY BAGGING

December 15  
9AM to 11AM

SUCCM BIG CLASSROOM

The Culture Department is seeking volunteers to come help bag candy for the Christmas Program. If you need community service hours we can give you hours for your service. Any questions please call 970-563-0100 ext. 3624

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## Christmas POWWOW

December 26, 2015

**SOUTHERN UTE MULTI-PURPOSE BLDG.**  
Gourd Dance 3 - 5 p.m.  
Potluck Dinner: 5 p.m.  
Powwow Grand Entry: 7 p.m.

### HEAD STAFF

MC - Eddie Box Jr.  
Head Lady - Ellie Seibel  
Head Man - Hunter Frost  
Little Girl Head Dancer - Little Miss S.U., Krystyn Weaver  
Little Boy Head Dancer - S.U. Brave, Dewayne Hendren  
Host Drums - TBA

### SPECIALS

Prettiest Shawl Contest (Winner-take-all)  
Two-step Contest (Winner-take-all)  
Switch Dance Contest (1st, 2nd and 3rd places)  
Gingerbread House Contest (Winner-take-all)  
Silent Auction - Gift Baskets

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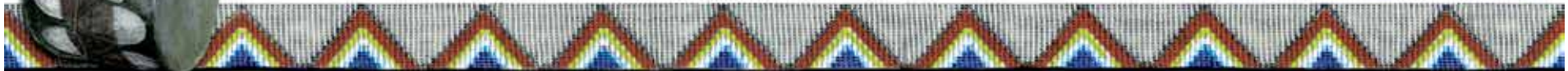
Vendor or Powwow information,  
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at 970-759-0690.

## MUSEUM UPDATE

### Museum LCB Holiday Hours

The Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum will be closed Thursday, Dec. 10, and Friday, Dec. 11, for Leonard C. Burch Day and reopen on Saturday, Dec. 12.





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## VETERANS AFFAIRS

# Birth defects in children of female Vietnam veterans

**By Richard Schleeter**  
LA PLATA COUNTY  
VETERANS SERVICES

The main objective of the Veterans Service Office is to provide prevention, protection, advocacy and support services to veterans and their families so they can maximize their quality of life, well-being and potential.

Veterans Affairs (VA) presumes that certain birth defects in the biological children of female Vietnam Veterans were caused by military service when the birth mother served in Vietnam between February 28, 1961 and May 7, 1975. Eligible children may receive VA benefits. Birth defects covered by VA are abnormalities present at birth that result in mental or physical disabilities. VA recognizes a wide range of birth defects as associated with women Veterans' service in Vietnam.

These diseases are not tied to herbicides, including Agent Orange, or dioxin exposure, but rather to the birth mother's service in Vietnam. Covered birth defects include, but are not limited to, the following conditions: Achondroplasia, Cleft lip and cleft palate, Congenital heart disease, Congenital talipes equinovarus (clubfoot), Esophageal and intestinal atresia, Hallerman-Streiff syndrome, Hip dysplasia, Hirschprung's disease (congenital megacolon), Hydrocephalus due to aqueductal stenosis, Hypopspadias, Imperforate anus, Neural tube defects, Poland syndrome, Pyloric stenosis, Syndactyly (fused digits), Tracheoesophageal fistula, Undescended testicle, and Williams syndrome. Conditions due to family disorders, birth-related injuries, or fetal or neonatal infirmities with well-established causes are not covered.

If any of the birth defects listed above are determined to be a family disorder in a particular family, they are not covered birth defects. Children with covered birth defects, who meet the following requirements, may be eligible for VA compensation, health care, and vocational training. The children must be biological children of a female Vietnam Veteran who served in Vietnam during the period beginning February 28, 1961 and ending on May 7, 1975. The children were conceived after the date on which the Veteran first entered the Republic of Vietnam. The children have a covered birth defect, which resulted in a permanent physical or mental disability.

To learn more about benefits for children with birth defects and how to apply, See more at: <http://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/agentorange/birth-defects/children-women-vietnam-vets.aspx#sthash.qtAbaLqJ.dpuf>. You may also contact your local La Plata County Veterans Service Officer by calling 970-759-0117.

The La Plata County Veterans Service Office (CVSO) provides information and assistance to veterans and their families. There is a wide range of benefits available for our nation's veterans. Every veteran is encouraged to contact the CVSO to find out more about their VA benefits. Your CVSO can assist you in any matter pertaining to the Department of Veterans Affairs. These services are free of charge. Please visit the La Plata County web site at <http://www.co.laplata.co.us/> for more information about what the La Plata County Veterans Service Office can do for you.

The La Plata County Veterans Service Office is co-located with the Durango VA Clinic at 1970 E. 3rd Avenue, Suite 102, Durango, CO. 81301. For clinic appointments, call 970-247-2214.

The Veterans Service Office phone number is 970-759-0117. Office hours are 8am to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Friday, except holidays, and appointments are encouraged. Call 970-382-6150 to schedule an appointment with the Veterans Service Office.

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Splish splash with Santa



Trennie Collins/SU Drum  
Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students wait in line for the chance to get their picture taken with Santa on Dec. 3 at SunUte Community Center pool. Marcus Archuleta, Autumn Sage, Krystyn Weaver and Dominique Rael smile and pose with Santa at SunUte Community Center Pool.



Trennie Collins/SU Drum  
Students gathered to tell Santa what they wanted for Christmas.



courtesy Lisa Olguin/SunUte  
Academy student, Seraya Ruybal didn't seem happy to sit on old Saint Nick's lap.

Health is on the menu



Damon Toledo/SU Drum  
The Southern Ute Montessori Head Start hosted a Gals & Kids breakfast on Tuesday, Dec. 8. Invited to the breakfast was the San Juan Basin Health Department who discussed their free health program as well as the importance of caregiving. Additionally, they held blood pressure and weight screenings for the students and family.

Fundraising for new wheels



photos Sacha Smith/SU Drum  
The Upper Elementary students of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy hosted a bake sale Friday, Dec. 4 to help raise money to purchase new bicycles for the school. The money will go towards purchasing new bicycles for the Academy.

Many gathered in the Hall of Warriors of the Leonard C. Burch Bldg. to help the students with their community service project.



Things to know for the month of December

12.04 MEMBER PICKUP AT THE ELHI  
12.09 CLOSING AT 4:30PM  
12.10 & 12.11 CLOSED  
12.21-12.23 ALL DAY CLUB  
12.24 & 12.25 CLOSED  
12.28-12.30 ALL DAY CLUB  
12.31 & 1.01 CLOSED

Don't forget to send your Club Member with a lunch!  
ALL RACE CLUB MEETINGS  
Check-in 7:30-9:00  
Check-out 5:30

Pictures with Santa

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## Eagle departs from Council



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

On Tuesday, Dec. 1 the Southern Ute Indian Tribe bid farewell to Vice Chairwoman, Ramona Y. Eagle. “It was an honor to serve with this particular council,” she said. “I enjoyed the laughter and the debates.” Eagle will now serve as an Executive Officer of the Southern Ute Permanent Fund, alongside Michelle Taylor Cruz. Ramona Y. Eagle (above) is presented with pottery as a departing gift from Manuel Heart (center) and DeAnne House on behalf of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe.

## TRIBE’S NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS • FROM PAGE 1

“Follow your heart,” Olguin told her in reference to making decisions that will affect the membership.

From the fellow woman on Council, Amy J. Barry said it would be an honor to serve with Ms. Cloud.

Alex S. Cloud returns to Council for his third term and will be one of the more seasoned council members on Tribal Council.

“I’m very proud to be a Southern Ute Indian tribal member. We’re Nuuciu,” he said.

Councilman Cloud said he thinks highly of the council seated now and through the debates and disagreements that Tribal Council must walk out at the end of each day together, as a team.

“We have to be accountable, we will be accountable so the youth can have something for the future,” Councilman Cloud said.

Olguin said it is going to be, “a breath of fresh air,” having Councilman Cloud back on Council.

Frost added that he appreciates Mr. Cloud’s time in office.

“You have three more years and I look forward to working with you on getting



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Rylan Herrera (above) and fellow members of the Ignacio High School Native American Youth Organization (NAYO) drum group and Yellow Jacket sing an honor song.

things done on behalf of the membership,” Frost said.

Chairman Frost also announced that he had not decided on who will be replacing Ramona Y. Eagle as

his vice chair.

The next council member terms that are set to expire in 2016 are Councilman Olguin and Councilman Melvin J. Baker.

## EAGLE, EXECUTIVE OFFICER • FROM PAGE 1

ployees will come to her for direction.

“I will have an open office. I will listen to any tribal members who have concerns, and I will do what I can to guide them however they need. With my experience serving the people, I want them to know I’m here

to help them.”

Eagle said that support from her family and fellow tribal members fuel her ambitions in succeeding.

“My family has supported me, so I want to thank them. I additionally want to thank the tribal membership and those

who believed in me to be their spokesperson. I’m here for the people, and I will help them through their issues.”

The Executive Office position has been vacant since the resignation of Janelle Doughty in September of this year.



# Saturdays Only

November 21<sup>st</sup>, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>

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OpenTable





Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Southern Ute Brave Dewayne Hendren hands out candy canes to guests attending the Taste of Christmas, held at the new ELHI Community Center on December 4.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The spirit of Christmas touches all ages as community members, judged gingerbread houses at the contest at the Taste of an Old Fashioned Christmas.

# A bit of the Christmas spirit

**C**ommunity members gathered for some Christmas fun at the ELHI Community Center on Dec. 4 for this year's Taste of an Old-Fashioned Christmas. Hot chocolate, cookies, photos, crafts and horse carriage rides were just a few of the attractions. Kids also got to meet Santa, get their faces painted and enjoy the musical performances.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Ignacio High School band, Jealousy' perform during the Taste of an Old Fashioned Christmas event in the ELHI Community Center Friday, Dec. 4. The band performed various songs including a cover of Pink Floyd's 'Wish You Were Here'.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Bayfield Boy Scout Troop 813 hold a few of the items they were selling at the Old Fashioned Taste of Christmas.



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Community members gathered together for a round dance song performed by David Boyd and Anthony Suina at Ignacio's Taste of an Old-Fashioned Christmas.



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Casandra Sanchez performs with Los Colores de Ignacio on Dec. 4 at Ignacio Old-Fashioned Taste of Christmas.



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Many bowls were made for the Fill Your Bowl For Art Fundraiser that was hosted by the Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center at the ELHI Community Center.

### Christmas Event

### Multi-Purpose Facility Bazaar & Yard Sale

Open to all community members who are interested, booth space is free, please RSVP to Multi-Purpose Facility at 970-563-4784 for a booth space.

**Where:** Multi-Purpose Facility

**When:** December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**Time:** 9am-4pm

## COOKIE EXCHANGE

December 13<sup>th</sup>

Peaceful Spirit 1-5PM

**Bring enough cookies to share**

**970-563-4555**





Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Seen from the view of the Ignacio boys' varsity basketball players, Hunter Frost leads IHS' NAYO (Native American Youth Organization) Drum Group in performing an Honor Song prior to the Bobcats' 2015-16 season-opener versus 3A Pagosa Springs Tuesday, Dec. 1, inside IHS Gymnasium. Sponsor of the Group's showing was IHS Native American Studies teacher Shirelle Garcia, and also helping was Melanie Seibel.

## IHS BOYS BASKETBALL

# Boys turn tables on Pagosa, 48-41

*IHS' Hayes nets 16 in opener*

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Clinging to a tenuous five-point lead as the clock ticked under 30 seconds remaining, it didn't take a genius to guess which Pirate the Bobcats would swarm in hopes of preserving a come-from-behind effort Tuesday, Dec. 1.

And head coach Chris Valdez sent one of his stickiest defenders – senior guard Anthony Manzanares – to do the duty of blanketing Pagosa Springs' Isaiah Griego as he hoisted up a three in view of boss Randy Sorenson.

Unfortunately for the visitors, not only did the shot miss but the rebound ended up in the clutches of the Cat PSHS – or any team, really – was most reluctant to foul during crunch time.

Sent to the foul line as the IHS Gymnasium loyalists screamed their approval – and the Pirates' demise – senior guard Wyatt Hayes put the finishing touches on a 16-point performance with two swishes, and the waning eight seconds then evaporated without further incident, giving Ignacio a 48-41 win tipping off the 2015-16 season.

Pagosa Springs (0-1, 0-0 3A Intermountain) fought for a 14-7 lead through one quarter, and forced Valdez into a timeout after a Griego breakaway layup with 4:39 left in the second increased it to 19-9. Then the fun began.

A Manzanares three-point play, produced by a surprise Johnny Valdez steal at the other end, sliced the advantage down to 19-14, Hayes' first trey made the score 21-19 with 2:28 left,

and IHS (1-0, 0-0 2A/1A San Juan Basin) went into the locker room down just 23-21 after a late Valdez up-and-under scoop.

A Manzanares triple trimmed the guests' lead to 25-24 early in the third quarter, and senior Tucker Ward completed the rally with a subsequent three to tie the contest at 27. PSHS managed to re-take a 31-29 lead into the fourth quarter, but the building's energy was very much pro-Ignacio.

"We tried ... taking passing lanes away from their guards by playing better pressure defense," Valdez said. "So they couldn't get as many passes in there. They still got some, but I thought we did a better job on that."

Still, the Pirates managed to keep the Bobcats at bay until IHS got a Hayes three

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## IHS GIRLS BASKETBALL

# Lady Cats find themselves at MTC

*First win comes at GSHS' expense*

By Joel Priest  
SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

If Ignacio's season-opener versus the defending Class 3A State Champions was a book, it was a fast read.

But an engaging one, and the Lady Bobcats had no problem showing 4A Glenwood Springs a condensed summary as they took the court for the second time in 2015-16 on Dec. 3 – Day 1 of the Mountain Top Classic, hosted by 3A Centauri out in La Jara.

"You know, we had to do some changing from the Pagosa game," head coach Shane Seibel said, alluding to Pagosa Springs' 58-37 win Dec. 1 inside IHS Gymnasium. "We were on our heels a little bit, so I challenged not only myself to step up as a coach but also my players, to say 'We are a pressing team!'"

And Rhonda Moser's young Lady Demons learned exactly how PSHS managed their road success, as once IHS senior Ellie Seibel scored the first points inside Centauri Middle School Gymnasium – after a mutual 2-minute, 33-second adjustment period – Ignacio never looked back, always forward.

As in where GSHS would try inbound the ball after each additional basket.

"The girls responded very well, came in very focused, determined," Seibel said of his side's full-court defending, which adequately countered their own turnovers. "And they left no surprises; they did well."

Sophomore Hilda Garcia followed Seibel's hoop with a three-pointer (her first this season, after being stifled by the Lady Pirates), and senior Miriam Fernandez-Lopez backed that with a three-point play inside. Senior Chrystianne Valdez then converted a steal into a breakaway layup, and Moser took a badly needed timeout trailing 10-0 and still 3:13 left in the first quarter.

By the time senior reserve forward Vanessa Davila – one of three Lady Demons 5'10" or better – managed a basket with only 30 seconds left, Ignacio's unchecked run had reached 14 points and the 2A Lady Cats never



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Gibran Silva leaves Glenwood Springs' Maddie Bolotho (1) in the proverbial rear-view mirror while dribbling ahead during Mountain Top Classic – Day 1 – action inside Centauri Middle School Gymnasium in La Jara.

lost a double-digit advantage in prevailing 45-24.

With three transition layups in the fourth quarter, Seibel helped IHS (1-1, 0-0 2A/1A San Juan Basin League) extend its 33-16 lead after three and totaled a game-best 12 points after her team-high ten versus PSHS.

Fernandez-Lopez finished with a well deserved nine and sophomore Avionne Gomez scored her nine all in the second half, after Glenwood Springs (0-1, 0-0 4A Western Slope) had rallied back to 20-10 at intermission.

Junior Alejandra Lujan, who'd scrapped for seven points against Pagosa Springs, went scoreless but provided Shane Seibel an additional physical post unfraid to gum up the works inside, helping hold 6'0" sophomore Tatum Peterson to just eight points.

"I'm stressing they've really got to look for each other as post players. Not only calling out screens, not only looking for our guards, but for each other because they work hard down there and they're starting to figure each other out," said the skipper. "The more they go along the more they're going to...really complement one another."

Garcia improved from six points against the Lady Pirates to nine against the Lady Demons, Valdez from two to four, and senior Cortney Wilson-Baker chipped in a bucket against each.

Senior Megan Uren and sophomore Maddie Bolotho each netted six points for Glenwood Springs, while 5'10" senior Madi Hert equaled Davila's deuce to round out the contest's production. As a whole, GSHS went 2-of-5 from the free-throw line while IHS went 3-of-4.

Ignacio was next to face tourney-hosting CHS (1-0 overall, after routing Rye 53-22 in the following game) on Day 2 of the MTC, then finish the winter grind's four-game first week with a Saturday morning test against RHS. Results, however, were unavailable by press time.

"I'm pleasantly surprised that they want to compete at a high level," Seibel said. "I'm not having to ask them; they're wanting to do it! So it's a pleasure to ... just help them be their best. I'm excited to do that!"

Looking ahead, IHS heads to non-league Center on Dec. 11, then to Dolores on the 17th starting SJBL play.

## JV take down Pirates 49-43



photos Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio JV player Kai Roubideaux (44) draws contact while in the act of shooting against 3A Pagosa Springs during season-opening action inside IHS Gymnasium on Tuesday, Dec. 1. The Bobcats started their 2015-16 season off well, defeating the Pirates by a 49-43 margin.

Ignacio JV player Calvin Levato rushes past a stationary Pagosa Springs defender during the teams' season-opener Tuesday, Dec. 1 inside IHS Gymnasium. The Bobcats held off the 3A Pirates by a close 49-43 count – almost predicting what lay ahead in the varsity clash.

## JV girls open vs. Pagosa



photos Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio JV player Allisianna Baker (25) takes an opportunity to drive towards the basket against 3A Pagosa Springs during season-opening play inside IHS' auxiliary gymnasium on Tuesday, Dec. 1.

Ignacio JV player Heile (pronounced 'highly') Pearson (20) escapes a Pagosa Springs double-team during the teams' season-opener Tuesday, Dec. 1, inside IHS' auxiliary gymnasium.

**For more BOBCAT photos, articles and updates check out the Southern Ute Drum's website [www.sudrum.com](http://www.sudrum.com)**





## COMMUNITY WISHES



### DECEMBER 3!

We would like to wish a very happy 1st birthday to Olyvia Winter-Fawn Watts. The lord definitely blessed us with the best when he gave us you! It has been such a joy seeing you grow, learn, laugh, and play. May your heart stay strong, your world stay happy, and your dreams stay big.

We love you,  
Mom, Dad, and Brother

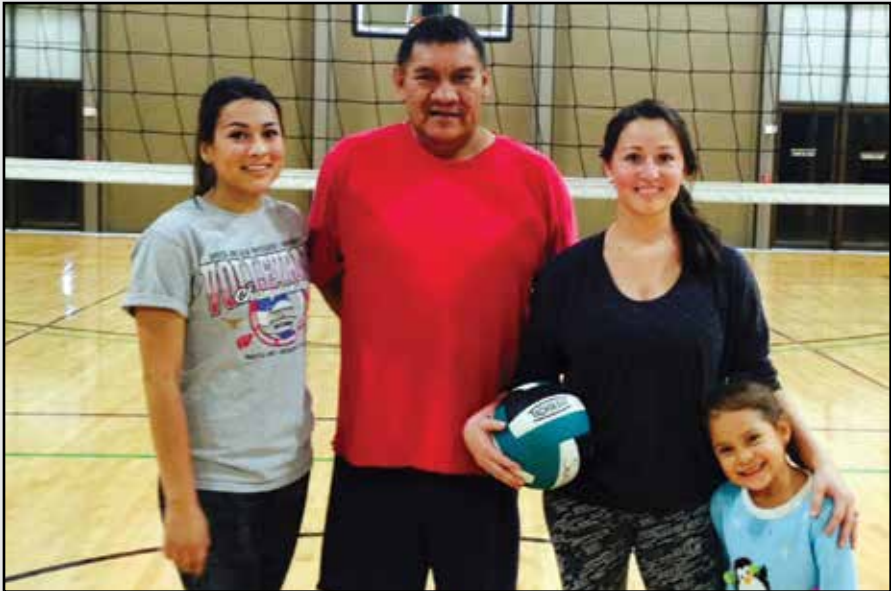
## An incredible site



Williamette deKay was able to capture this air funnel while crossing the street on her noon walk Wednesday, Dec. 2.

courtesy Williamette deKay

## Co-ed champs



courtesy Franklin Thompson

Chloe Seibel, Franklin Thompson and Jennifer Seibel (not pictured Arla Duran) won the SunUte Co-ed volleyball league and tournament. Franklin wishes the girls a thank you!

## EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS

### THE BOW STORY

Silent deadly and accurate at close range, the American Indians Bow and Arrows were rapid firing. In the early days of the west the bow and arrow was superior to the Spanish and settlers guns some historians fell the bow did not come around in North America until AD 1,000 when early Viking explorers introduced European arrows in north eastern North America some scholars believe the bow and arrow is 500 B.C.

The Indians from Alaska had the bow since 2000 B.C. and we Ute's had the bow till then up until the mid 9th century fire arms of the white Europeans were clumsy, and often unreliable to the slow muzzle loading weapon's of the Europeans and the arrow was made of Chock Cherry Branches.

By Joseph Rael Jr.

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## TRIBAL OBITUARIES



period of time Mitch retired.

Mitch loved his wife, kids and grand-kids and his beloved rottweiler dogs.

He was an avid Denver Broncos fan and never missed a game at home or in person. He enjoyed hunting and fishing with his family. He had a true talent as an artist. He could draw many things including anime, portraits and he sculpted animals from clay. He really could get lost in his music and had an extensive collection of rock and roll vinyl records, which he took pride in.

Mitch had a good sense of humor and could make you laugh at anything. You could always find him in the kitchen cooking for his family.

He touched all with his sense of humor and will be missed by many.

He is survived by his wife Ellen M. Baker; son Alex Baker of Durango; daughter April Baker of Durango; three grandchildren who were very dear to him Allisianna Baker, Lance Baker and Marie Baker; sisters Melanie and Maya Baker of Ignacio; nephews Ryan Cook of Ignacio and Arden Baker of Ignacio; nieces Tanya Baker and Catherine Baker both of Ignacio; and numerous cousins.

He is preceded in death by his father Clem E. Baker, mother Mercedes Rock and brother Matthew Lance Baker. A service and reception was held on Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2015 in Ignacio, CO.

### In The Southern Ute Tribal Court

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#### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

In the Legal Name Change of,  
**DeBarry Gerone Cloud, Civil Subject**  
Case No.: 2015-NC-0114

Notice: Notice is hereby given that DeBarry Gerone Cloud has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Barry Gerone Cloud. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than December 31, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 30th day of November, 2015.

BY THE COURT,  
Paula Trujillo, Court Clerk

#### NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE

In the Legal Name Change of,  
**Julia Mae Cruz, Civil Subject**  
Case No.: 2015-NC-116

Notice: Notice is hereby given that Julia Mae Cruz has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Juliya Mae Valdez. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than January 29, 2016 at 5:00 pm. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.

Dated this 3rd day of December, 2015.

BY THE COURT,  
Dolores Romero, Court Clerk

## NEW EMPLOYEES



### Jesse Lasater

**Job title:** Bison herd manager

**Job duties:** Responsible for the health and well being of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's bison herd.

**Hobbies:** Travel and outdoor recreation.

**Family:** Wife – Veronica Lasater.

## EARLY Drum Deadline

Next issue:  
**Dec. 24**  
Deadline:  
**Dec. 18**

Articles, photos, advertisements, public notices, letters and greetings may be submitted in person, by mail, or by email to: [sasmith@southernute-nsn.gov](mailto:sasmith@southernute-nsn.gov)

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The Ignacio Wildcats invite you to screen the movie, THE RIDICUOUS SIX, with our own "STAR" of the movie—

**\*\*BIRD RED\*\***



**Where:** Ignacio High School Performing Arts Center

**When:** Friday, December 11, 2015

**Time:** 5:30 p.m. Doors Open/ Show Starts @ 6:30 p.m.

**Benefitting:** The Ignacio Wildcats Basketball Team

**\*\*A concession will be available and donations will be accepted at the door. \*\***





## Upcoming Holiday Tribal Office Closures

- Dec. 10-11 Leonard G. Burch Day
- Dec. 25 Christmas
- Jan. 1, 2016 New Year's Day

*Happy holidays from The Southern Ute Drum*

## REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) Engineering, Procurement, Construction and O&M of Ground Mount Grid-Tied Photovoltaic System

**Owner:**  
Southern Ute Alternative Energy  
175 Mercado Street Suite 234  
Durango, CO 81301  
970-764-6704

Southern Ute Alternative Energy, LLC (SUAE) is requesting the submittal of responses to a RFQ for the engineering, procurement, construction, and initial operation and maintenance of a roughly one megawatt ground-mounted and grid-tied solar photovoltaic system on the Oxford Tract. Only the limited number of contractors selected from this RFQ will have the opportunity to submit proposals to a subsequent Request for Proposals. Responses to this RFQ

(Qualification Packages) will be received by SUAUE until 5:00 PM MST, on December 17, 2015. Qualification Packages received after that time will not be accepted. Contact James Jensen for a copy of the RFQ at 970-764-6704 or jjensen@sugf.com. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian-Owned Businesses. For information on TERO contact the TERO Office at 970-563-0117. SUAUE reserves the right to reject any and all Qualification Packages, to waive any informality in Qualification Packages and to accept the Qualification Packages deemed, in the opinion of SUAUE to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

## Strategic Planning Training Coming to Durango Dec. 16

### Community Resource Center is hosting a 1-day training for all Executive Directors and Board Members

Community Resource Center (CRC) would like to invite all Executive Directors and nonprofit Board Members in the Southwest region to register for a 1-day strategic planning training on December 16, 2015. Executive Directors and Board Members will leave with the tools and resources necessary to craft a compelling and relevant strategic plan that is practical, measurable, and can be implemented without the cost of hiring an outside consultant. The training will cover topics including:

- Recognition of what a

- strategic plan is and is not
  - Understanding different processes by which strategic planning can be accomplished
  - Identifying the core elements that are the foundations of a strategic plan
  - Craft compelling goals, objectives and activities
  - Strategies for implementation
- The training will be taught by Maria Fabula, President and CEO, and Rebecca Gorrell, Director of Education and Leadership Development. The Ballantine Family Fund has generously agreed to sponsor this training to keep the cost affordable.
- Wednesday, Dec. 16, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
  - Durango Public Library: 1900 E. 3rd Avenue, Durango, CO 81301

- \$55 Early Bird (ends 12/9); \$70 Regular Price
  - Go to [www.regonline.com/stratplanSW1216](http://www.regonline.com/stratplanSW1216) to register today!
- Priority registration is being offered to those nonprofit professionals who work in the Southwest region. If you work outside of that region but would like to attend the training, contact Rebecca Gorrell, Director of Education & Leadership Development, at [gorrell@creamerica.org](mailto:gorrell@creamerica.org) to get your name put on the waitlist. Community Resource Center (CRC) creates opportunities, tools and strategies to develop nonprofits and community groups to strengthen Colorado. We are a mission driven nonprofit that offers a continuum of services throughout the state of Colorado.

## Firewood pick up and delivery notice

With the upcoming holidays please plan ahead for firewood pick up's and deliveries. Firewood deliveries are on Tuesdays and Thursdays, firewood pick up days are on Mondays and Wednesdays. Our office will be closed on Dec. 10, 11, and 25, 2015 and January 1, 2016. Please call 970-563-4780.



Your input is needed! Our club Board of Directors create its vision, plan programs, develop funding and more. We are looking for experienced people who are invested in this community's youth and are excited about being a key component of this organization. There are open positions for tribal or community members with financial and/or leadership experience.

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## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Boards And Committees Vacancies

### CREDIT COMMITTEE MEMBER VACANCY

The Tribal Credit Committee has an opening for a member. The committee member must be 18 years old and be an enrolled member of the Tribe. Individuals seeking to serve on the Committee must demonstrate a reputation of personal integrity, dependability, honesty, a strong work ethic, and the ability to perform in a non-biased, confidential and fair manner. They must be familiar with the objectives of the Declaration and must maintain good financial standing with the Tribe. These individuals must also pass a criminal background and reference checks. The term may be for a three (3) year period. Duties of the Credit Committee: Approve loans as required by the Declaration; Monitor compliance with Declaration; Monitor approved loan performance; Make recommendations to Tribal Council on program revisions and updates regarding Committee operations; Maintain confidentiality, objectivity and fairness in conducting all Committee business; Hold monthly regular meeting and other special meetings as necessary; and Coordinate the Committee's annual budget with Tribal Credit Staff. All interested Tribal members who would like to serve on the committee are urged to submit a letter of interest to Matthew Morishige in the Tribal Credit Department.

### ETHICS COMMISSION VACANCIES

The Ethics Office is accepting letter of interest from tribal members to fill positions on the Ethics Commission: ONE vacancy for "Ethic Commission Member" (Closing date Dec. 30, 2015). Qualifications are: Be a member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe at least 18 years of age or older; Have a reputation for fairness and impartiality; Have a familiarity with tribal government; Satisfactory completion of a background investigation for criminal history showing no convictions or guilty pleas for felonies or any misdemeanor involving dishonesty. The Ethics Commission meets on an Ad Hoc basis and members that are NOT otherwise employed with the tribal organization are compensated at a rate of \$100 per half day. Please submit letters of interest to the Department of Justice and Regulatory, PO Box 737-MS#10, Ignacio, CO, or in person at the Justice and Regulatory Administration Building, 71 Mike Frost Way. All letters will be presented to the Southern Ute Tribal Council for their consideration.

### KSUT BOARD OF DIRECTORS VACANCIES

KSUT is seeking individuals to fill three (3) open seats on the Board of Directors. One (1) is open specifically for the "Native American at Large" seat; and Two (2) are open for the general Board seats. Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest to KSUT Board Vice-President Paula Miller at [paulajomiller@gmail.com](mailto:paulajomiller@gmail.com) (read it Paula Jo Miller at gmail DOT com) or mail to PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. Seats are open until filled. This is a non-paid position that requires attending board meetings every month, with additional special meetings as needed. KSUT is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. For more information visit the KSUT website at [www.ksut.org](http://www.ksut.org) These positions are open until filled.

### MUSEUM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum (SUCCM) is seeking a qualified tribal or community member for its all-volunteer Board of Directors. The candidate should possess strong fundraising, marketing, and/or volunteer recruitment skills. For an application and position description, please call 970-563-9583 during regular business hours. Open until filled.

### TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS COMMISSION (TERO) VACANCIES

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is seeking three (3) at-large Southern Ute Tribal Members and two (2) alternates who would like to serve on the Tribal Employment Rights Commission, which are compensation positions. Applicants must be an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal member and possess the following requirements: Tribal member at-large who are not currently employed by the Tribal Government or the Growth Fund and who do not own or operate a certified Indian Owned Business; Experience or expertise in administrative hearing procedures; Eighteen (18) years of age or older; Good character; and Ability to observe restrictions concerning conflict of interest and confidentiality. If you are interested in serving on the Tribal Employment Rights Commission, please submit your Letter of Intent to the TERO Division by 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2015. If you have any questions, please call TERO, at 970-563-0117 or 970-563-0100 ext. 2291. TERO is located in the J&R Administration Building, 71 Mike Frost Way, (north of the Tribal Court building).

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Human Resources • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO

Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-5024

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**Reservoir Engineering Manager – Red Willow Production Company (Ignacio, Colo.)**  
Close date 12/18/15  
Manages the reservoir engineering function for Red Willow Production Company. Oversees the preparation of and maintenance of reserve bookings for all RWPC exploration and development activities. Assures quality of technical and economic evaluations performed within the Engineering organization. Manages the evaluation of new investment opportunities. Coordinates the continuous post-appraisal of investment activities and provides insights to RWPC management regarding the quality of the capital investment program. Works with the Executive Vice Presidents (Onshore and Offshore), Production/Drilling Managers, and Asset Teams, to coordinate capital and production forecasting for monthly, annual and long-range planning processes. Minimum qualifications include: Bachelor’s degree in Engineering and twelve years’ experience in Reservoir Engineering and/or Engineering Operations or related fields. Must have experience evaluating economics of oil and gas investment opportunities, with expertise in the associated forecasting and economic analytical tools. Must have experience with exploitation/exploration analysis. Must have experience with risk analysis tools and techniques. Must be able to manage multiple concurrent projects, work in a team environment, and be able to communicate openly and candidly. Must have strong computer-based data management and analysis skills. Must have valid driver’s license for state of residency and be insurable under RWPC’s vehicle insurance policy. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

**Security and Network Architect – Southern Ute Shared Services (Ignacio, Colo.)**  
Close date: 12/11/2015  
High-level network planning, design and optimization. Minimum qualifications include: A Bachelor’s degree in Computer Science, Business Computer Information Systems or Network Engineering is required. A Bachelor’s degree in another discipline may be considered with appropriate and relevant security and network engineering experience. Eight years of related experience in a large enterprise or service provider environment is required. Must be a Cisco Certified Internetwork Engineer (CCIE). Must have strong, current Check Point experience at the enterprise level. Experience with multiple site firewall installations, including highly available clusters is required. Experience with Cisco Router ACLs is required. Must have strong troubleshooting, problem-solving and analytical abilities including packet capture analysis. Strong in-depth technical knowledge in security engineering, computer and network security, strong authentication and security protocols is required. Knowledge of network routing and security protocols and implementations: TCP/IP, SSL, IPSEC VPN, SSL VPN, VLANs and BGP is required. Must have thorough knowledge of TCP/IP, routers, firewalls and security devices. Must have Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS), Security Information and Event Management (SIEM). Experience in building network management tools and creating detailed documentation is required. Must be able to create documents, spreadsheets, and detailed drawings in MS Office Suite and Visio. Must be able to work well under pressure, grasp new ideas quickly and be able to thrive in a dynamic and diverse environment. Excellent oral and written communication skills and interpersonal skills is required. Must be customer service oriented. Must be willing to assist others, learn new skills, and participate in a productive team oriented environment. Must have a valid driver’s license for state of residency and be insurable under the Growth Fund vehicle insurance carrier. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

**Senior Security & Network Engineer – Southern Ute Shared Services (Ignacio, Colo.)**  
Close date 12/18/15  
The Senior Security and Network Engineer is responsible for developing and integrating all network communication requirements for the LAN/WAN. Minimum qualifications include: A Bachelor’s degree in Computer Science, Business Computer Information Systems or Network Engineering or other relevant degree and five years experience in security and network engineering or collaboration telephony tools and large enterprise or service provider is required. **OR**, an Associate degree in Computer Science, Business Computer Information Systems or Network Engineering and seven years experience in security and network engineering or collaboration telephony tools, and large enterprise or service provider is required; **OR** a high school diploma or equivalent with nine years experience in security and network engineering or collaboration telephony tools, and large enterprise or service provider is required. Must have strong, current firewall experience at the enterprise level. Experience with multiple site firewall installations, including highly available clusters is required.

Experience in route/switch, security or unified communication and collaboration is required. Must have strong troubleshooting, problem-solving and analytical abilities including packet capture analysis. Strong in-depth technical knowledge in security engineering, computer and network security, strong authentication and security protocols is required. Knowledge of network routing and security protocols and implementations: TCP/IP, SSL, IPSEC VPN, SSL VPN, VLANs and BGP is required. Must be able to create documents, spreadsheets, and detailed drawings in MS Office Suite and Visio. Must be able to work well under pressure, grasp new ideas quickly and be able to thrive in a dynamic and diverse environment. Excellent oral and written communication skills and interpersonal skills is required. Must be customer service oriented. Must be willing to assist others, learn new skills, and participate in a productive team oriented environment. Must have a valid driver’s license for state of residency and be insurable under the Growth Fund vehicle insurance carrier. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

**PeopleSoft HCM Senior Analyst – Southern Ute Shared Services (Ignacio, Colo.)**  
Close date 12/18/15  
Serves as a senior subject matter expert relative to content, processes and procedures associated with PeopleSoft. Responsible for providing requirements specifications to the internal PeopleSoft Human Capital Management developers; coordinating testing and training for user groups; developing systems solutions in the PeopleSoft environment; and, project follow-up and support to provide the highest level of customer satisfaction. Minimum qualification include: Bachelor’s degree in Business, Finance or Computer Science and seven years’ experience in PeopleSoft Human Capital Management analysis; **OR**, a Bachelor’s degree in another discipline may be considered with appropriate and relevant PeopleSoft Human Capital Management analysis experience; **OR**, an Associate’s degree and nine years’ experience in PeopleSoft Human Capital Management analysis; **OR**, a High School diploma or equivalent with 11 years PeopleSoft Human Capital Management experience is required. Must have experience with PeopleSoft in a Human Resources functional/technical position supporting Human Resources and some combination of the following applications in a configuration and/or development capacity: Human Resources, Payroll, or Benefits. Must have an understanding of People Code and People Tools. Must have SQL query experience. Must have knowledge of the main application tables and the relationships between tables. Must have knowledge of the main tools tables. Must be able to use/provide examples of using SQL syntax: Outer join, Union, and Having. Must have experience integrating third party systems into PeopleSoft Human Capital Management applications. Must have strong computer based data management and analysis skills. Must have general operational knowledge of standard Human Resources best practices. Must possess strong trouble shooting skills. Must be willing to assist others, learn new skills, and participate in a productive team oriented environment. Must have valid driver’s license for state of residency and be insurable by the Growth Fund vehicle insurance carrier. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

**Reservoir Engineer Manager – Red Willow Production (Ignacio, Colo.)**  
Close date 12/18/15  
Manages the reservoir engineering function for Red Willow Production Company. Oversees the preparation of and maintenance of reserve bookings for all RWPC exploration and development activities. Assures quality of technical and economic evaluations performed within the Engineering organization. Manages the evaluation of new investment opportunities. Coordinates the continuous post-appraisal of investment activities and provides insights to RWPC management regarding the quality of the capital investment program. Works with the Executive Vice Presidents (Onshore and Offshore), Production/Drilling Managers, and Asset Teams, to coordinate capital and production forecasting for monthly, annual and long-range planning processes. Minimum qualifications include: Bachelor’s degree in Engineering and twelve years’ experience in Reservoir Engineering and/or Engineering Operations or related fields. Must have experience evaluating economics of oil and gas investment opportunities, with expertise in the associated forecasting and economic analytical tools. Must have experience with exploitation/exploration analysis. Must have experience with risk analysis tools and techniques. Must be able to manage multiple concurrent projects, work in a team environment, and be able to communicate openly and candidly. Must have strong computer-based data management and analysis skills. Must have valid driver’s license for state of residency and be insurable under RWPC’s vehicle insurance policy. Must pass a pre-employment drug test and criminal history background check.

### Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Job announcements

Please refer to the complete job announcements on the Human Resources website at [www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs](http://www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs). If you need help filling out an online application, please come into the HR office and we are happy to assist you on our applicant computer stations.

ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED ONLINE

Applicants and employees, please be sure the HR Department has your current contact information on file. P.O. Box 737 - Ignacio, CO 81137

Phone: 970-563-0100 ext. 2424 • Fax: 970-563-0302 • Hotline: 970-563-4777

Human Resources accepts applications for temporary employment on an ongoing basis.

**After School Guide – Part Time**  
Closing date 12/14/15  
Regular part-time position that provides education and physical activities for the after school program to meet the needs of children ages 3 through 11 years that are enrolled in the after school program.

**Director of Strategic Planning**  
Closing date 12/21/15  
Working with Tribal Council to develop long-term strategic objectives for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Researching and developing tax strategies regarding Tribal Member distributions; developing on-boarding material for Tribal Council Members regarding the Tribe’s Financial Plan and other strategic plans; as well as developing materials and providing education for the Tribal Membership on the Tribe’s Financial Plan and other strategic plans.

**Chief Financial Officer**  
Closing date 12/21/15

Planning and directing budget, finance, and accounting functions for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Permanent Fund. This position is responsible for the management of the Permanent Fund Endowment and the Tribal Member Financial Services. Provides direct supervision for the finance and accounting department to provide accurate financial records and to advise Tribal Council on financial and budgeting issues.

**Patrol Officer**  
Open until filled  
Patrols the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, and is responsible for preserving the life and property of all citizens within the Tribal Community. Pay grade 19; \$21.32/hour.

**Crisis Caseworker**  
Open until filled  
Provides counseling referrals for resources available to victims of crime within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Reservation. Pay grade 15; \$13.89/hour.

Enrolled Local Native American Only	
<b>Teacher Trainee – TERO Intern</b> Closing date 12/16/15 Under the direction of the Southern Ute Department Education Teachers, the Techer trainee/Program Aide will assist the Education Staff in the teaching and tutoring responsibilities for K-12 Tribal students attending the Ignacio Public Schools. Will provide the TERO employee with direct teaching experience through student contact in the public schools and in after school tutoring programs, opportunities to participate with professional teaching staff in the public schools and within the SUIT education Department and other experiences relative to a career in the teaching field. Temporary position, not to exceed 6 months or 24 hours per week. Position starts at \$12.09/hour.	<b>Administration Assistant – Environmental Programs Division</b> Closing date 12/17/15 Performs administrative, clerical, and information system support for the Environmental Programs Division. Pay grade 16; \$15.65/hour.
<b>Southern Ute Tribal Member Only</b>	
Administrative Assistant-Housing Closing date 12/16/15 Performs administrative support for the Housing Department, including secretarial duties, receptionist, clerical and information system support, including office records management services. Pay grade 16; \$15.65/hour.	<b>Administration Assistant</b> Closing date 12/15/15 Performs office support for the Wildlife Resource Management Division, including reception, secretarial and office records management services. Pay grade 16; \$15.65/hour.

### Sky Ute Casino Resort – Job announcements

Visit our website at [www.skyutecasino.com](http://www.skyutecasino.com) to view job openings and apply online.

Human Resources • Phone: 970-563-1311 • PO Box 340, Ignacio, CO 81137

TERO-Native American Preference • All Applicants Welcome

Must pass pre-employment drug test, background check, qualify for and maintain a Division of Gaming License and be able to work all shifts, weekends or holidays.

**\*Poker Dealer (Full-time)**  
Closing date 12/11/15  
Deals the various games of Class 2 poker while promoting a positive guest experience through accurate, prompt, courteous and efficient service. High School diploma/equivalency. 21 years old+. Must have 6 months experience as a poker dealer OR Dealer School Certification. Must pass audition demonstrating proficiency in poker.

**\*User Support/Database Administrator (Full-time)**  
Closing date 12/11/15  
Provides database and systems maintenance and support for the various database systems in use at Sky Ute Casino Resort. Supports all systems on Casino property. Provides support for the departments as necessary in a 24 hours

per day, 7 days per week, 365 days per year operation. Bachelor’s degree in Computer Science or related field and 3 yrs experience in DBMS (Database Management Systems) or systems development, or equivalent experience. Preferably the experience will be in a client/server environment. Must have knowledge and experience in working with and supporting accounting systems. Preferably the experience will be in an Aristocrat Environment. Must have knowledge and experience in the development of database systems utilizing MS SQL Server. Preferably the applicant will be MS SQL certified. Must have experience in installation and configuration of Windows Server 2008 or 2012 in a clustered environment.

*\*Must be 21 years of age*

### Full-time General Manager Trainee Southern Ute Tribal Members Only

Closing date 12/11/15

The Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council is seeking applicants for the position of General Manager Trainee of the Sky Ute Casino Resort. This is a trainee position open only to enrolled members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and consists of a 4 year curriculum to advance the candidate to the position of the General Manager of the Sky Ute Casino Resort. The curriculum will include off-site advanced educational components such as: executive management/leadership training, evolution of economic thought, business creativity and innovation, social media marketing, human resources, followed by on-site on-the-job-training rotations throughout the property. Minimum requirements and qualifications: Must be at least 21 years of age and able to obtain a Key Gaming License. Applicants will be subject to a pre-employment drug test, comprehensive background check including criminal history and past employment references. Preferred qualifications: 4-year undergraduate degree from an accredited college or university, preferably in Business Management or Administration; Experience working in the Gaming Industry; Work history experience demonstrating a progression of increased duties and responsibilities; Strong written and verbal skills; and Positive references from all current and previous employers. How to apply: Apply online at [www.skyutecasino.com](http://www.skyutecasino.com).

### ELHI Community Center – Site Assistant

**Site Assistant**  
Close date 12/ 7/15  
Coordinating space use and security needs and collecting rents. Some light maintenance. On call – 10 mile radius to downtown Ignacio. Good computer skills a must. Must pass background check. ELHI is an Equal Opportunity Employer. For a full job description and application, email: [elhicenter@gmail.com](mailto:elhicenter@gmail.com).



## Attention Southern Ute Veterans and families of S.U. Veterans

The 2016 Southern Ute Tribal Calendar featuring Southern Ute Veterans is almost completed. The Southern Ute Drum is reaching out to you – the Southern Ute Veteran or the family of a S.U. Veteran in providing information to complete the calendar. Names with (+) indicates deceased veterans, names with a (\*) indicates we have a military photo of the veteran. Names in **(RED)** indicate we don't have branch of military service. We would also like to include full names in the calendar. If you have information or would like to include a veteran photo in **Military Uniform** for the 2016 Southern Ute Tribal “Veterans” calendar, please submit by 5 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 14 to the Southern Ute Drum office. We are located at 357 Ouray Dr, Ignacio, Colo., 81137.

### WORLD WAR I ERA

- +Frank S. Baker (Army) \*
- +James Spencer Baker (Army)
- +Julius Elliot Cloud (Army) \*
- +Andrew Frost (Army)
- +Andrew Richards (Army)
- +John P. Washington (Army)

### WORLD WAR II ERA

- +Carl Baker (Army) \*
- +Cassimero Baker (Air Force) \*
- +Eugene Spencer Baker (Army) \*
- +John Edward Baker Sr. (Army)
- +Randolph Baker
- +William Bean
- +Frank Bean (Navy)
- +Annie William Bettini (Army) \*
- +Albert Box (Army) \*
- +David Bent Box (Army) \*
- +Dorothy Burch Box (Navy) \*
- +Edward Bent Box Sr. (Navy) \*
- +Fritz Bent Box (Army)
- +Anthony Cloud Burch (Army) \*
- +Allen Norris Carel (Army)
- +Manuel Head Casias \*
- +Paul G. Eaton (Army)
- +Billy Burns Frost (Army)
- +Graves S. Gunn (Army) \*
- +Jose E. Head (Army)
- +Alden Naranjo Sr. (Army) \*

- +Jose M. Ortiz (Army)
- +Domingo Paul (Army)
- +Frank Baker Pena Sr. (Navy) (Korea)
- +Claude Red Price (Army) \*
- +Albert Redd Sr. (Army) \*
- +Melvin Eaton Red (Army)
- +Maurice L. Sage Sr. (Army)
- +Juan J. Silva (Army)
- +Sunshine Nash Cloud Smith (Army) \*
- +Charles E. Spencer (Army)
- +John Chavo Taylor
- +McKean Taylor (Army) (MIA/KIA)
- +Morgan Thompson (Army) \*
- +William Salazar Thompson (Army)
- +Joseph P. Tree (Army – Ret.) \*
- +Faustine Tucson (Army) \*
- +John Taylor Valdez (Army) \*
- +Wilbur K. Washington (Army) \*
- +Andrew Spencer Williams (Army) \*
- +Woodrow H. Williams (Army) \*

### KOREAN ERA

- +Clem Edgren Baker
- Austin Box (Air Force) \*
- +Floyd Box
- +Phillip G. Box
- +Rhodes Box
- Russell Box Sr. \*
- +Herman Brown
- +Leonard Cloud Burch (Air Force) \*
- +Julius Elliott Cloud (Army)
- Neil Buck Cloud
- Marvin Edward Cook (Navy) \*
- +Richard W. Cuthair (Air Force)
- +Harvey Frost Sr.
- Raymond Frost Sr. (Army) \*
- +Vincent Howard Grove (Army) \*
- +Harold Jerome Groves
- Orville George Hood (Marines) \*
- James M. Jefferson
- +Marcus Lopez
- Antonio Monte
- +Martha Burch Myore (Army)
- +Darrell Drake Newton (Vietnam)
- +Gilbert Newton (Army)
- Roger Newton
- +Frank Baker Pena Sr. (Navy)(WWII)\*
- Leroy Taylor Pinnecoose \*
- +Stanley Pinnecoose (Army) \*
- +Fernando Head Rael (Marines)
- +Ivan Redd Sr. (Army)
- +Bryan Rock Jr. (Marines) \*

- Donald William Rock
- +Ray Sage Sr.
- +Johnson E. Taylor
- Arthur Weaver Sr. (Army) \*
- +Clifford Weaver \*
- +Lawrence South Weaver
- +Gilbert Washington Sr. (Army)

### VIETNAM ERA

- Daniel Baker
- +David James Baker (Army)
- Ernest Brant Baker (Army)
- John E. Baker Jr.
- Randy Joseph Baker Sr. \*
- Ronnie Clark Baker (Army) \*
- +Teddy Baker (Army)
- +Clyde Box (Marines)
- Eddie Box Jr.
- +Dennis E. Burch (Army) \*
- +Everett B. Burch (Air Force)
- Robert Burch (non military)
- +Vernest Carel (Army)
- +Stewart Roger Cloud (Army)
- +Clifford C. Cook (Army) \*
- Clement Johnson Frost (Army)
- Ray Clement Frost (Army)
- Roderick Lee Grove (Army) \*
- +Don Emerson Howe (Army) \*
- +Elwood Howe (Army)
- Jeffery L. Jefferson
- Hardy Joy Sr.
- +Norman Kuebler
- Alden Burch Naranjo Jr.
- +Eugene Arthur Naranjo
- Roland Dean Weaver Norris
- +Roger Earl Price (Army) \*
- Howard Dean Richards Sr. (Army) \*
- +Harold Silva (Army)
- +Vincent Silva Jr. (Army) \*
- +Maurice Levey Sage Jr. (Army)
- +Gene Arthur Thompson
- +Raymond Valdez
- Tim Watts
- +Dudley Leon Weaver
- +Eric Weaver
- Arthur Johnny Weaver (Army) \*
- Dennis O. Washington
- Gilbert Washington Jr. (Air Force – Ret.) (Present) \*
- John B. Washington (non military)
- Stanford Washington
- +Glenn Williams

### PRESENT ERA

- Loni Nicole Acevedo (Army) \*
- Dewitte J. Baker (Army) \*
- +Dwayne Baker (Army) \*
- Raymond Albert Baker (Navy – Ret.) \*
- Mary Christine Carrol
- Kathy Lynn Chavez (Marines)
- Jack McClure Frost Jr. (Marines)
- Raymond Frost Jr. (Air Force)
- Vernon S. Frost
- Raymond Wells Kuebler
- David Latham
- Drake Jackson Monte
- William John Monte
- James Earl Price Jr. (Navy) \*
- +Jeffery Price (Navy) \*
- David Rainblood Rael (Army) \*
- Toni Anita Rael (Army) \*
- Ronald W. Rock
- Zackary Rock (Marines)
- +Charles Santistevan (Army)
- Robert B. Thompson
- Mark Edward Torres (Navy) \*
- Andrew J. TwoCrow (Marines) \*
- Wendell Bruce Valdez
- +Eldred Alvin Vigil Jr. (Marines)
- Elroy Arvin Vigil (Marines)
- Ruben Kyle Vigil
- Gilbert Washington Jr. (Air Force – Ret.) (Vietnam)
- Alden Weaver (Marines) \*
- Rudley Weaver (Navy) \*
- Wilford Weaver Jr.

### THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

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## LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER

Friday, Dec. 11




Partly sunny 44°F  
Chance of rain/snow

Saturday, Dec. 12



Partly sunny 36°F

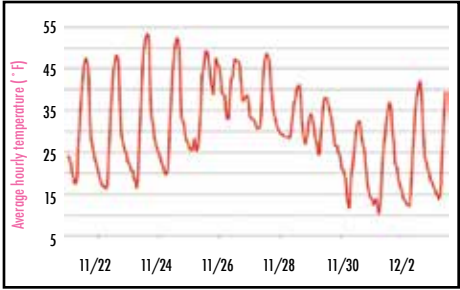
Sunday, Dec. 13



Mostly sunny 34°F

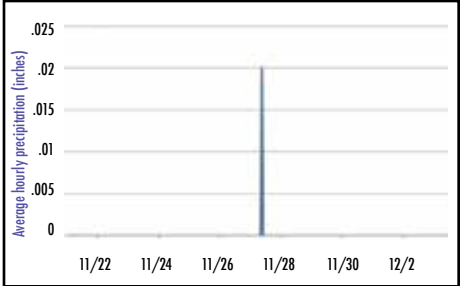


### Weather data for November 21 – December 3



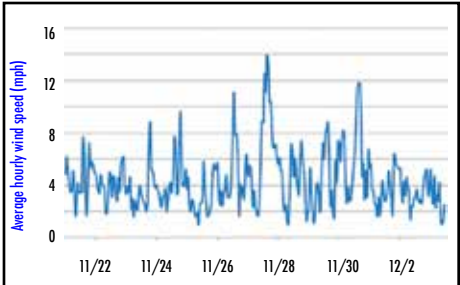
#### Temperature

High	53.4°
Low	10.4°
Average	30.5°
Average last year	32.5°



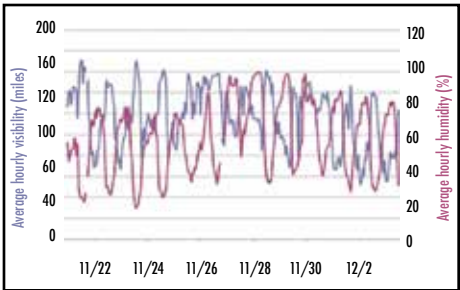
#### Precipitation

Total	0.020"
Total last year	0.000"



#### Wind speed

Average	4.4
Minimum	1.0
Maximum	13.9



#### Visibility & humidity

Average visibility	117.0
Average humidity	58.4%

#### Air quality

Good  
Air quality descriptor: 33

Data compiled by Southern Ute Environmental Programs

Weather forecasts collected from www.NOAA.gov

## BOYS TURN TABLES ON PAGOSA • FROM PAGE 1


and a Ward layup to move ahead, 42-41. Frustrated Pagosa forward Briar Erskine then fouled out with 1:06 left, allowing senior Austin McCaw to sink a key free throw, and Ward then duplicated it with 0:31 left. And when Ward missed his second attempt, Hayes crippled PSHS' morale by grabbing the rebound and drawing a foul – yielding two easy points from the stripe and a 46-41 lead with half a minute to play. Manzanares finished with 12 points, Ward nine, McCaw three and senior center Nick Herrera six. Griego led Pagosa with 16 points, Herrera counterpart Mike Kuhl booked eight and Erskine equaled Ty Kimsey's four. IHS was 12-of-19 overall in the free-throw depart-

ment, and the Pirates an efficient 7-of-8. “I thought that down the stretch with Tucker and Wyatt making all but one free throw is really what it's about,” Valdez said. “And you think about starting five seniors ... I've never started five my whole life as a coach – and I've been coaching for 21 years – just having that leadership out there was important, balancing the floor ... down the stretch and not making the mistakes that they were making.” Ignacio was next to compete at the Centauri-hosted Mountain Top Classic, though the site for this year's three-day event was actually within the Falcons' La Jara nest rather than Adams State University in Alamosa. With no game slated for Day 1 on Thursday, Dec.

3, the Cats first faced Glenwood Springs the evening of Day 2, then challenged 3A CHS (GSHS' Day 1 opponent) early in the afternoon on Day 3. Results were unavailable at press time, but Valdez seemed confident in the Bobcats' San Luis Valley chances. “A 4A team, and playing them on a neutral court ... I think we can go be competitive,” Valdez said. “We needed this game to go over there and be a competitive team; if that's our first game, I think we'd really struggle. With this game under our belt, a good talk tomorrow and a good practice, I think we'll be ready for Friday.” Looking ahead, IHS heads to non-league Center on Dec. 11, then to Dolores on the 17th starting SJBL play.

SunUte Community Center Pool

DIVE-IN-MOVIE



COMING TO THEATERS  
JULY 10

When: Friday December 18th

Time: 6pm-8pm

Where: Pool area

Cost: No additional cost

\*Regular daily fee or membership required

RATED PG

We will have fresh popcorn in a designated eating area.

For More information call  
Lisa Allen @ 563-0214 ext. 2653